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BOX: NON-FEE PETITION (PATENTS)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bullock, Robert Lee

Title: RAILROAD FREIGHT CAR TRUCK SUSPENSION YAW STABILIZER

Serial No.: 10/763,496

Filed: 23 January 2004

Group Art Unit:

Examiner:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S AGE (37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)
and M.P.E.P. § 708.02)

Commissioner for Patents

P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to make the above-identified application special because he is over 65 years of age.

As a showing of this fact, accompanying this petition is:
a DECLARATION by the applicant that he is over 65 years old.

NO FEE is required with this petition.

Respectfully submitted,


Alfred D. Lobo (Reg. No. 24,109)

CERTIFICATE UNDER 35 U.S.C. 1.8(a)

I certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop NON-FEE PETITION, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450 on this 27th day of April 2004.

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DECLARATION OF ROBERT LEE BULLOCK

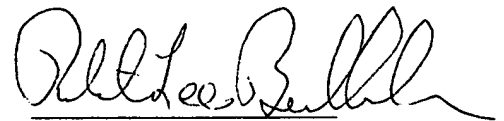
1. I, Robert Lee Bullock, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 160 Dudala Way, in the County of Loudon and State of Tennessee, do hereby declare:
2. I was born on February 6, 1939 and am now over 65 years old, of sound mind, but ailing body.
3. I am the sole inventor in the above-identified patent application.
4. I am also either the sole inventor or a co-inventor in twenty one (21) U.S. Patents, the earliest of which issued in 1975, and all of which I have listed below:

3,977,332	4,003,318	4,084,513	4,084,514
4,111,131	4,196,672	4,276,833	4,537,138
4,676,172	5,011,347	5,037,255	5,176,083
5,316,421	5,511,489	5,515,792	5,555,818
5,596,936	5,735,216	5,845,584	5,918,547
6,591,759			
5. I am a mechanical engineer having obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1966 from Illinois Institute of Technology.

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6. I am a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Illinois.
7. I commenced working for Stewart Warner Corporation in 1966 soon after I graduated, and in March of 1970 was employed by Standard Car Truck Company ("Standard"). I worked in the field of railroad engineering from 1970 until 1999 when I retired as Vice President of Technological Resources for Standard. I have spent essentially my entire career in the development, design and construction of equipment for railroad rolling stock and related equipment. After I retired I have done some consulting work for Standard.
8. During my active working career, I devoted a great deal of effort to the stabilization of freight cars as I was intimately acquainted with their drawbacks.
9. The continuing desire to improve the stability of freight car trucks led me to explore various designs that might be more effective solutions to the problem than the equipment being used at this time.
10. In the above-identified patent application I have disclosed what I believe to be both a relatively simple and a highly effective solution to that problem.

The undersigned declarant declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.



Robert Lee Bullock

Date: 16 April 2004